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The President and the Granger.

In his reply yesterday to the protest of his granger callers, the President could not have put in better form what he did say. As they had introduced the subject of the Canadian pact and spoken with frankness, it was for him to speak with equal frankness, and he did so. As was to be expected, he stood to his feet. He is the sort of man. Given neither to excessive proclamation nor to extravagance of statement, he is not of the kind to advance with a flourish, and retreat in a panic under the first fire.

Matters stand precisely as before the grangers called. They are the grangers, and the President is for it. He already knew their views, and they his. They could not have expected him to shuffle in their presence, and they should have assumed that he had acted only after inquiry and deliberation. He told them he had done so in terms that left nothing to be desired.

As between the President and the protesting grangers the case is simple. He thinks the pact will benefit all American interests. He does not pretend that he had the interests of the farmers alone in view in ordering the negotiations. He regarded the question as larger than that—as embracing general trade relations between this country and Canada. But he studied the matter from the agricultural viewpoint, and, as he thought, found it good from that as from other viewpoints. And when convinced of being right he went ahead.

The protesting grangers, on the other hand, speak only as grangers. Regarding the pact as inimical to the American farmers, they ask for its defeat on that score. They put their opinion against the President's, and induce a threat against the republican party. The President understands, and is willing to take all risks both for himself and his party. If the pact in operation fails he will lose in prestige. If it redeems his promise; if farming interests as well as other interests benefit, he will be justified and the grangers forced to confess mistake.

If farmers who have hitherto voted the republican ticket leave that party because of this measure, with what party will they affiliate for relief? The democratic party is for the pact, and must remain so. It would be this time broader. If possible, and refrains from the attempt only because of the fact that a change in the instrument would defeat it. It must be taken or left just as it is. The man who votes next November, or November a year hence, for democratic against republican candidates to rebuke the negotiation of free trade with Canada will execute that famous but not overly wise maneuver of jumping from the frying-pan into the fire.

The President stands pat. It remains to be seen whether these grangers will be better served by the pact, and whether the President points out, if it falls in operation the remedy will be at hand and can be promptly applied. Repealing a law which works injury rather than good is a simple and easy procedure.

The Leesburg Pike.

The movement having for its aim the improvement of the Leesburg road between Washington and the metropolis of Loudoun county should not halt until this old way shall have been made comfortable to travel on. It is an important road and a very bad one. A large volume of wagon traffic rolls into Washington over this rocky and hilly thoroughfare. The Leesburg pike is a prosperous and productive territory which contributes richly to the markets of the District.

From the time this road after crossing Chain bridge turns to the northwest along the border-street and woody cone of Plimmit run and strikes the highlands, the site of old Fort Marcy the traveler's trials begin. The road bearing west by north crosses nearly at right angles those branches and runs which flow northward into the Potomac and which have scored deep valleys over the face of the country. It is rather a difficult bit of terrain for a road to traverse, but capital and labor judiciously applied can make the thoroughfare more comfortable by reducing the grades and freeing the road of rocks. Those residents of Fairfax and Loudoun counties dependent on this road are making efforts to transform it either into a good, or at least a better road, and these efforts ought not to be relaxed until the desired end shall have been accomplished.

Gov. Wilson may yet find in the regulation of Jersey summer resorts questions as perplexing as that which has troubled Gov. Harmon in connection with Sunday base ball.

The question of the Cunningham claims appears to have superseded that of the more or less personal relations of Mr. Pinchot and Mr. Ballinger.

Annexation results more frequently from hostile conditions than from friendly trade relations.

Departmental Investigation.

We must wait to see what there may be in the charge that the investigation of the different departments by the House has principally in view campaign material for the next year. It may not be true. The business may be conducted on a higher than partisan plane, and yield something of value of non-partisan character. Uncle Sam's affairs are of gigantic bulk, and the executive departments have their hands full all the year round. In time old methods fall, and new ones become necessary. If in any of the departments, or in all of them, any changes should be made to promote efficiency and speed and economy, they should be recommended, with full details. The whole country is entitled to know in up-to-date in the matter of the transaction of the public business.

But if the democrats should disclose a partisan purpose as they proceed, the republicans would not be without re-

course. Two may play at that game. There are Senate committees covering the expenditures of the different departments, and they could be called into more than the ordinary activity. They are composed of strong men in their majority memberships, and such work as might be cut out would be thoroughly performed.

In such a contest—for it would be a contest—there would, of course, be two majority and two minority reports. The House majority would find against the House minority, for republican executives, while the Senate majority would find for, and the democratic minority against, them. The same facts might be viewed and presented in radically different lights.

But such a result is usual in partisan matters, particularly so when wide campaign material is the real objective. Charges are made and denied, and partisans stand by partisan colors. Democrats would accept the House, and republicans the Senate, majority report, and stumblers would take their cues accordingly.

It is not likely, however, that anything of value in the way of real corruption awaits uncovering. Years ago there was a campaign cry for the want of a better which attracted attention. Certain democrats without sympathy with either the free trade or the free silver policy of their party at that time, and yet unwilling to leave it, went into action shouting, "Turn the rascals out!" The republicans had enjoyed a long lease of power, and was found to be in good order, and those who had kept them were not smirched. As for the "rascals," Mr. Cleveland turned them out so slowly he lost heavily in popularity among the rank and file of the democracy, whose support of him had been based on the expectation that their appearance in office would be contemporaneous with his own. But he made changes with great caution, and was still under more or less denunciation on that account four years later when he came up for re-election and was defeated.

Washington and the Aeroplane.

As spring advances the list of birdmen lengthens. The flying of an aeroplane two or three years ago was an experiment; it rapidly became a sport, or an athletic exercise, and now it seems to have reached the state of being an industry.

At the University Club a night or two ago one of the leading aviators, in connection with other men interested both in the theory and practice of aviation, paid tribute to the work of the late Prof. Langley. He was credited with having constructed the first flying machine model that flew, and the first successful experiment with the Buzard on the Potomac of Widewater, Va., were recalled. It is well for the sake of keeping the record of aviation straight that the services to this new science rendered by Prof. Langley should be made clear. To have him hailed by aviators as the pioneer and the father of aeroplane aeronautics is a gratification to the many friends of this able scientist who survive in Washington.

The capital as the birthplace of the machine bird watches the spread of the interests therein as well as other interests. The fact that the grangers forced to confess mistake. If farmers who have hitherto voted the republican ticket leave that party because of this measure, with what party will they affiliate for relief? The democratic party is for the pact, and must remain so. It would be this time broader. If possible, and refrains from the attempt only because of the fact that a change in the instrument would defeat it. It must be taken or left just as it is. The man who votes next November, or November a year hence, for democratic against republican candidates to rebuke the negotiation of free trade with Canada will execute that famous but not overly wise maneuver of jumping from the frying-pan into the fire.

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Baltimore's Garden Movement.

Baltimore seeks to increase its attractiveness by planting bare spots and rubbish heaps about the city with shrubbery and flowers and transforming some vacant lots and blocks into neighborhood vegetable gardens. Washington's neighbor city has a home garden committee, a committee with a large and influential membership, and this organization uses various novel and picturesque means of raising funds and otherwise advancing its aims. A few days ago a public flower market was held at the base of Baltimore's Washington monument, at Mount Vernon place, and the nearby streets were thronged. The salespeople in the market were Baltimore's leading women, and the patrons of the enterprise were their friends and the friends of the home garden movement. This manifestation of civic spirit reflects credit on Baltimore and sets an example of industry and enterprise to cities whose civic spirit needs encouragement.

Very few measures affecting the tariff can be suggested without creating suspicions in the minds of various interests that there is danger of a conspiracy to restrain profits.

The Kaiser philosophically permits war scares involving Germany to be named to fade naturally instead of keeping up the discussion.

One redeeming feature of the tips issued by the weather forecasters is the fact that nobody is tempted to bet on them.

B. & O.'s Old Roadbed.

The right of way used by the Baltimore and Ohio railroad before the construction of Union station and the track readjustment of the lines leading north could quickly be converted into a fine avenue. A bill was recently introduced in the Senate by Mr. Fletcher "to construct a West Virginia avenue from the strip of land extending in a northeasterly direction from the intersection of 6th and I streets north-east to Florida avenue." The north-eastern square of this old way is already used as a public street, though it is unimproved and without sidewalks. At the junction of this bare space and Florida avenue is a lamp-post bearing the sign "West Virginia avenue."

There are civic possibilities in the old Baltimore and Ohio bed. The new tracks northward from Union station cross the old road within half a mile beyond the Washington terminal roundhouse. North of that point the Pennsylvania tracks veer to the eastward, while the new Baltimore and Ohio tracks hold to a more northerly

course. The Pennsylvania crosses the old road about 500 yards west of the Bladensburg road. At that point one may get an excellent prospect. The eye follows the old way north till it gets lost among the trees toward the District line. To the south is a wide arrow-straight way to the built-up part of the city, with a clear view to the Capitol. Much of the ballast remains, but the ties and rails are gone. This part of the line goes through open country, meeting the first houses near the junction of Mount Olivet street and Florida avenue. This is a village-like group of houses, and from thence to Florida avenue the course continues straight through open fields. From this part of the way all ballast has been removed and the road at this season is heavy with mud. Some wagon traffic passes over it. Between Florida avenue and Mount Olivet street, and from that point north is also a wheel track, showing that dwellers out there use the ancient roadbed. At Florida avenue one may clearly trace the line of the old track-way southwestward to 7th street, thence between a double row of back fences to 6th and I, and at 5th and I the dark clenderway and oil-stained earth ends.

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A Similarity.

"Art and business have nothing in common," said the painter. "Oh, I don't know about that," replied Mr. Cumrox. "The value of a painting, like the value of a check, depends a great deal on whose name is at the bottom of it."

Interference.

"What is the trouble in your district?" asked the practical politician. "Too much prosperity," replied the statesman. "Everybody is so much occupied with his own work that no one has time to read my speeches."

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Specter of World-Wide War.

From the Pittsburgh Press. Mr. Bartholdt, congressman from Missouri, thinks powerful interests are at work to involve the nations in world-wide war for fear the war game will be outgrown and abandoned unless something is doing soon. Perhaps, but a more powerful "interest" is working for peace. It is nothing less than the great heart of humanity. The real struggle of our time is economic, not religious nor military, like the struggles of old, nor even political, like that of more recent times.

Sometimes.

From the Indianapolis Star. In connection with the democratic nomination for presidency we occasionally see mention of a party hailing from somewhere in the west, we believe, by the name of Bryan.

Runs Count.

From the Houston Post. Our observation is that no amount of excuses has the slightest effect upon the team's standing in the percentage table.

Not Waking.

From the Boston Herald. China is turning over in her sleep.

Gasoline a Necessity.

From the Columbus Journal. It's lots easier to pay \$3 for the same sum for whitewashing the cellar.

Popular Theme.

From the Detroit Free Press. Universal peace furnishes fine between-seasons arguments.

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